

DEAF RIGHTS

- License Interpreter
- Interpreter must have right color/skill license
- Can ask interpreter to show license card
- Can file complaint



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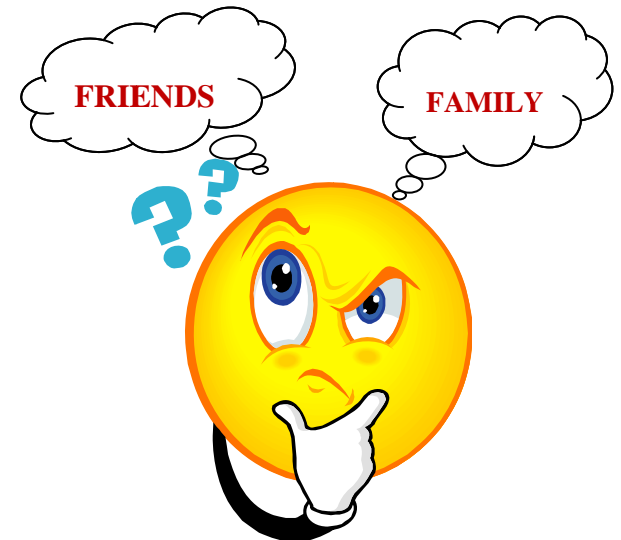
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CONSUMER CHOICE MEANS WHAT?



ILLINOIS DEAF AND HARD
OF HEARING COMMISSION

<http://www.idhhc.state.il.us>



Interpreter License, means what?

To interpret in Illinois,
must have license issued
by Illinois Deaf and Hard
of Hearing Commission.

Must use a licensed interpreter all times?

No. You can request
non-licensed person to
interpret. Called
“Consumer Choice”.

Can service provider force me to use non- licensed person?

No.

If I use “Consumer Choice”, who can I choose?

Can choose:

- Family
- Friends

Cannot choose:

- Licensed interpreter
with wrong color/skill
license.

Why can’t I choose a licensed interpreter of my choice?

Licensed interpreters must
follow rules for their color
license.

Can family or friends accept money for interpreting?

No.

Family or friends
volunteer under
“Consumer Choice” – not
professional interpreter.

Can family or friends be punished for interpreting at my request?

No.

